

# OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER

DATE: FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2012  
TO: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
FROM: SCOTT H. NEAL, CITY MANAGER  
RE: FRIDAY REPORT FOR JUNE 15, 2012

## FRIDAY REPORT



- 1. FY 2011 Independent Audit Report** – The City's 2011 independent financial audit report is complete. Jim Eichten from the independent auditing firm MMKR will present the report to the City Council at the June 19 Council meeting. We are receiving a good report this year. The City's continued financial strength is exceptional among city governments.
- 2. K9 Unit Competition** – On May 21-23, Officer Mike Seeger and his K9 partner, Diesel, competed in the USPCA National Narcotic Detector Trials in Lakeland Florida. Officer Seeger and Diesel placed 17th in the nation overall. Their best finish in an individual competition was in the vehicle search test where they placed 6th in the nation.
- 3. Golf Financials** – Our golf financials are healthy this year and projections are good for this summer. Total revenue for YTD 2012 is virtually identical to YTD 2011, but total rounds sold in 2012 are 22 percent ahead of the 2011 YTD pace. The difference in total revenue from 2011 to 2012 is attributable to the loss of the golf dome. The best financial performance in the golf enterprise in 2012 is the driving range where YTD revenue is \$134,564, which is 94 percent ahead of our 2011 pace.
- 4. 50th & France Parking Ramp Project** – Mayor Hovland, Public Works Director Brian Olson, Engineering Director Wayne Houle and I met with representatives of the 50th & France owners group this week to continue discussing strategies for setting the scope of a project to improve the City's 50th & France parking ramps. The owners group is now favoring a project that is repair and rehabilitation oriented and is implemented through a construction management contract that is managed collaboratively by the owners group and the City. City staff will assist the owners group in studying this proposed direction.
- 5. Closed Session** – The Council will have a closed session meeting starting at 5 p.m. on Tuesday, June 19, immediately prior to the Council's planned work session that day, in order to be briefed by legal counsel on the Benner mediation matter. Depending on the outcome of the closed session, the Council may be asked to take an action on the issue at that evening's Council meeting.
- 6. Employee News** – Amy Batcher will start her new job as an Administrative Support Professional in the Police Department on Monday, June 18. Current Community Services Officer Joe Delgehausen will start his new job as a Police Officer on June 25. Karen Kurt and I will conduct screening interviews for Economic Development Manager candidates next week.

- 7. Real Estate Update** – The local real estate market is showing sounds of recovery. May 2012 closed sales are up 54 percent compared to May 2011. YTD closed sales in 2012 are 46 percent ahead of their 2011 YTD level. The median sales prices of a home in Edina for the 2012 YTD period is \$318,000 compared to a Twin Cities median price in the same time period of \$154,900.